

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SB 3061 - HB 3773**

March 10, 2006

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Establishes a program within the Department of Health to facilitate the rendering of specialty care in federally qualified health centers (FQHC) in conjunction with the University of Tennessee Memphis Health Science Center.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

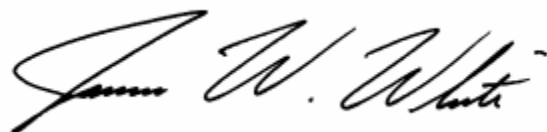
**Increase State Expenditures - \$400,000 One-Time  
\$197,800 Recurring**

#### **Assumptions:**

- The Department of Health estimates that there will be seven FQHCs in the West Tennessee area and one centralized office in Nashville that will need equipment to enable the practice of telemedicine. It is estimated that all equipment, including diagnostic equipment, will cost \$50,000 per site resulting in \$400,000 (\$50,000 X 8) in one-time expenditures.
- The monthly per site access fee is \$1,100. Annually, the increase in state expenditures will total \$105,600 (\$1,100 X 12 X 8).
- To enter into a management agreement with a nonprofit organization to provide information technology services and support to the FQHCs, the Department will incur an increase in state expenditures totaling \$92,220 for the salaries and benefits of a network administrator (\$49,487) and a clerical support position (\$36,533) and supplies and travel for both positions (\$6,200).

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director